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SUBJECT: MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO'S ATTENDANCE AT INAUGURATION

1. MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO CURRENTLY PLANS TO TRAVEL IN MEXICAN  
PRESIDENTIAL PLANE, "QETZALCOATL", ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON  
(ANDREWS) ON JAN. 19.

2. SHE IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TO BRING WITH HER A SMALL GROUP  
CONSISTING OF HER TWO DAUGHTERS, PAULINA (17), CARMEN BEATRIZ  
(21), AND HER SON, JOSE (22). THESE CHILDREN ACCOMPANIED  
THE LOPEZ PORTILLO'S ON THEIR PREVIOUS VISIT TO WASHINGTON  
AS PRESIDENT -ELECT. THE SON WHO IS VERY BRIGHT AND MATURE,  
CURRENTLY HOLDS AN OFFICIAL POSITION IN THE PRESIDENCIA.

3. ALSO TRAVELING WITH MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO WOULD BE MR. AND  
MRS. MARCO VINICIO MARTINEZ GUERRERO WHO HAVE LONG BEEN ASSOCI-  
ATED WITH HER BOTH OFFICIALLY AND AS PERSONAL FRIENDS.  
MARTINEZ GUERRERO NOW HOLDS THE OFFICIAL POSITION OF DIRECTOR  
GENERAL OF INPI, THE MEXICAN CHILD WELFARE INSTITUTE WHICH  
TRADITIONALLY FALLS UNDER THE OVERALL DIRECTION OF THE  
PRESIDENT'S WIFE. ALSO TRAVELING WOULD BE MILITARY AIDE WHICH  
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WOULD PROBABLY BE CAPTAIN (PERHAPS NOW PROMOTED TO MAJOR)  
AUDIFRET, WHO IS A MEMBER OF THE ESTADO MAYOR PRESIDENCIAL,  
(AND POSSIBLY ANDRES HOLZER, WHO SERVES AS AN UNOFFICIAL  
BUT INTRUSIVE AIDE).

4. THE GOM AND SPECIFICALLY MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO AND HER STAFF

ARE GETTING SOMEWHAT RESTIVE AS TO HER PROPOSED SCHEDULE WHILE IN WASHINGTON. I HAVE DONE EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO SOOTH THEM MAKING IT CLEAR WHILE WE COULD NOT HOPE TO RECIPROCATATE ON THE SAME SCALE OF HOSPITALITY DURING THE VISIT OF MRS. CARTER AND SECRETARY KISSINGER, EVERYTHING POSSIBLE WOULD BE DONE TO MAKE HER FEEL WELCOME. AT THE SAME TIME, IT HAVE EMPHASIZED THE PERSONAL NATURE OF THE VISIT. DESPITE THIS, THERE IS SOME DESIRE ON THE PART OF MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO TO OFFER A DINNER PARTY OR A LUNCHEON PARTY TO "RECIPROCATATE" FOR HOSPITALITY EXTENDED TO HER IN WASINGTON. I BELIEVE SHE RECOGNIZES THAT THE RUSH OF EVENTS DURING THE INAUGURAL DAYS MIGHT NOT PERMIT HIGH LEVEL ATTENDANCE AT SUCH A PARTY. SHE IS THINKING OF THE POSSIBILITY OF ENTERTAINING SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE AND SECRETARY OF TREASURY BLUMENTHAL EVEN IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR MRS. CARTER TO ATTEND SUCH A FUNCTION. I HAVE SENT HER WORD THAT WHILE AN OFFER OF SUCH AN ENTERTAINMENT IS APPRECIATED IT MIGHT BE MORE FEASIBLE TO DO IT ON A SUBSEQUENT OCCASION DURING THE HOPED FOR OFFICIAL VISIT OF PRESIDENT LOPEZ PORTILLO HIMSELF WHEN IT WOULD BE MORE APPROPRIATE. SHE DOES NOT GIVE UP EASILY, HOWEVER, AND INDICATES THAT PRELIMINARY CONTACTS ON A "PERSONAL BASIS" BY HERSELF WOULD THEN MAKE THE SUBSEQUENT OFFICIAL CONTACTS WITH HER HUSBAND DURING HIS EVENTUAL VISIT TO WASINGTON THAT MUCH MORE PLEASANT AND PRODUCTIVE.

5. I HAVE ONCE AGAIN STRESSED THE PERSONAL NATURE OF THE VISIT BOTH TO MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO'S EMISSARY AS WELL AS TO THE UNDER-SECRETARY OF THE FOREING MINISTRY. BOTH SAID THEY UNDERSTAND THIS AND, IN FACT, THAT MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO UNDERSTANDS IT FULLY AND WANTS HER SCHEDULE TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE DESIRES LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF MRS. CARTER. AT THE SAME TIME, I WAS REMINDED WITH SOME DELICACY THAT PRESIDENT-ELECT CARTER, WHEN HE ANNOUNCED THE VISIT OF MRS. CARTER TO MEXICO, REGRETTED THE FACT THAT HE HIMSELF WAS UNABLE TO GO BUT ALLEGEDLY SAID THAT HE CONSIDERED MRS. CARTER AN EXTENSION OF HIS OWN PERSON. THE POINT WAS MADE THAT WHILE MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO'S VISIT WAS PERSONAL SHE TOO WAS AN "EXTENSION OF HER HUSBAND'S PERSONS".

6. I HAVE PROMISED TO KEEP IN CONSTANT TOUCH WITH THE STAFF OF MRS. LOPEZ PORTILLO, AND WITH THE FOREIGN MINISTRY, AND TO KEEP THEM CURRENT ON DEVELOPMENTS OF WASHINGTON'S THINKING ON THIS VISIT. THUS, APPRECIATE BEING KEPT INFORMED ON HOWEVER INFORMAL AND TENTATIVE A BASIS ON THIS MATTER.

7 IN PLANNING THE VISIT, I HOPE THAT WE CAN ALL KEEP IN MIND THAT ALTHOUGH IT IS A PERSONAL VISIT, IT IS STILL ONE WHICH HAS VERY REAL NATIONAL INTERESTS FOR THE U.S. WHILE WE CANNOT RECIPROCATATE ON THE SCALE OF THE MEXICANS, I BELIEVE WE CAN GIVE

SATISFACTION IF WE ARE ABLE TO FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATION I MADE IN MY MEMO HANDED TO THE SECRETARY IN ACAPULCO TO WHICH THERE SHOULD BE AT LEAST (1) A FUNCTION WITH "VISIBILITY" AND THIS COULD BE ACCOMPANIED BY SITTING IN THE PRESIDENTIAL BOX DURING THE PRE-INAUGURAL CONCERT AND (2) THERE SHOULD BE AT LEAST SOME PERSONAL AND INTIMATE CONTACT WITH MRS. CARTER; WHILE A LUNCH FOR THIS PURPOSE WOULD BE IDEAL, IF IT PROVES POSSIBLE, AT LEAST A BRIEF, PRIVATE VISIT WITH CUP OF TEA OR COFFEE AND A SUITABLE PHOTOGRAPHER WOULD FULFILL THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.

8. PERHAPS SECRETARY-DESIGNATE VANCE OR MRS. VANCE MIGHT WISH TO OFFER SOME HOSPITALITY.

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